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EMBASSY RECEIVED AT 1340 HOURS MOSCOW TIME FOLLOWING NOTE
FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY BY MESSENGER.

BEGIN TEXT. SOVIET GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS IT NECESSARY STATE
FOLLOWING TO GOVERNMENT UNITED STATES AMERICA.

ON OCTOBER 24, 1962, DURING PERIOD FROM 0130 HOURS TO 0600
HOURS MOSCOW TIME, SOVIET DIESEL-ELECTRIC VESSEL "SIMFEROPOL"
WAS THRICE SUBJECTED TO BUZZING (OBLZT) BY AMERICAN MILITARY
AIRPLANES ON HIGH SEAS IN AREA WITH COORDINATES TWENTY-
THREE DEGREES THIRTY MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE AND SIXTY-TWO
DEGREES FIFTY SIX MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE. FLYING OVER
VESSEL AT VERY LOW LEVEL (NA BREYUCHCHEM POLETE), AMERICAN
AIRPLANES FIRED SHOTS FROM THEIR GUNS.

SOVIET GOVERNMENT DECLARES DECISIVE PROTEST TO GOVERNMENT
OF USA AGAINST THESE IMPERMISSIBLE ACTIONS OF AMERICAN
MILITARY AVIATION, WHICH CONSTITUTE DANGEROUS PROVOCATION
AND GROSS VIOLATION OF ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM
OF NAVIGATION ON HIGH SEAS.

SOVIET GOVERNMENT WARNS THAT, IF GOVERNMENT OF USA DOES
NOT TAKE IMMEDIATE MEASURES TO STOP PROVOCATIVE ACTIONS OF
THIS SORT BY AMERICAN AIRCRAFT WITH REGARD TO SOVIET VESSELS,
IT WILL BEAR FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR POSSIBLE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES
OF SUCH ACTIONS. END TEXT

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